

### Abstract of the Disclosure

A universal weed cover system is installed at the root of a vertical structure of various kinds so as to cover the ground around the structure to prevent the growth of weeds. The universal weed cover is thin, flexible and essentially rectangular. The system comprises a plurality of panels with one or more cut-out sections, sized to fit around the structure. The panels are interconnected and fastened to the ground by fastening means through slot openings at one end of the universal weed cover. The slot openings allow the relative movement of the adjacent covers due to expansion and contraction of the covers caused by ambient heating and cooling. Ribs and/or webs are provided for strength and to channel water off the surface of the panels. A cover is provided when the cut-out opening is greater than the diameter of the vertical structure. The cover has a central flap and is placed over the exposed ground in the post hole and directly on top of the joining universal weed covers.